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[Nichols, Hugh Jr.]

FOR Farm Family of the Week

DATE Fri. March 7, 1958

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TIME 12:25-1:00 p.m.

VIDEO
CAMERA ON LANGPITT

SLIDE FARM-1
BUILDING

SLIDE FARM-2
MAILBOX & ENTRANCE

AUDIO
I WANT TO SAY IN THE VERY BEGINNING THAT I AM DEEPLY GRATEFUL TO HOLMES COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENT, W.R. SULLIVAN AND TO ASSOCIATE COUNTY AGENT, W.H. HAMBERLIN, JUNIOR FOR THEIR VERY WONDERFUL HELP IN SELECTING THIS FAMILY AND ESPECIALLY TO MR. SULLIVAN FOR GOING WITH ME TO THEIR FARM TO HELP ME TO OBTAIN THE STORY WHICH I AM NOW GOING TO TELL. THIS IS THE STORY OF MRX. AND MRS. HUGH L. NICHOLS, JUNIOR WHO LIVE ON LYNCHFIELD PLANTATION NORTH WEST OF TCHULA, MISSISSIPPI IN HOLMES COUNTY. JUST FOR THE RECORD YOU MAY BE INTERESTED TO KNOW THAT THIS PLANTATION RECEIVED ITS NAME "LYNCHFIELD" BECAUSE IT WAS FIRST PATENTED BY GOVERNOR LYNCH, ONE OF MISSISSIPPI'S EARLY GOVERNORS. THE PLANTATION WAS NAMED LYNCHFIELD AFTER GOVERNOR LYNCH. BOTH MR. AND MRS. HUGH NICHOLS WERE RAISED IN LEXINGTON, MISSISSIPPI, WHERE THEY ATTENDED SCHOOL TOGETHER. THE 1080 ACRES WHICH HUGH NICHOLS OVERSEES AT LYNCHFIELD IS OWNED BY HUGH'S FATHER WHO HAS RETIRED, MR. HUGH L. NICHOLS, SENIOR. HUGH, JUNIOR AND HIS BROTHER, LOUIS BELL NICHOLS, LEASE ALL THEIR FATHER'S LAND AND HUGH TAKES CARE OF THE CROP PROGRAM AT LYNCHFIELD AND LOUIS BELL HANDLES THE LIVESTOCK

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SLIDE FARM-3
HOUSE

PHASE OF THE PROGRAM IN A SEPERATE FARM OPERATION IN THEE HILL SECTION OF HOLMES COUNTY. THE STORY WE ARE GOING TO TELL YOU TODAY IS THE STORY OF THE FARMING BEING CARRIED ON BY HUGH NICHOLS JUNIOR AT LYNCHFIELD PLANTATION NORTH WEST OF TCHULA. HUGH NICHOLS SERVED HIS COUNTRY FROM 1942 TO THE FALL OF 1945. HE CAME OUT TO LYNCHFIELD PLANTATION RIGHT OUT OF SERVICE. MR AND MRS. HUGH NICHOLS WERE MARRIED IN 1939. I SAID EARLIER THAT THEY ATTENDED SCHOOL TOGETHER IN LEXINGTON...MRS. NICHOLS SAYS THEY WENT TOGETHER FOR 13 YEARS BEFORE THEY WERE MARRIED. WHEN MR. AND MRS. NICHOLS MOVED TO LYNCHFIELD PLANTATION THEY BUILT JUST ENOUGH HOUSE TO GET BY. IT CONSISTED OF TWO BEDROOMS, LIVING ROOM, COMBINATION KITCHEN AND DINETTE AND A GARAGE ANI FRONT PORCH. OF COURSE THERE HAS BEEN MUCH GROUND BEAUTIFICATION CARRIED OUT OVER THE YEARS AND EVEN MORE IS IN THE PLANNING STAGE. MR. ANI MRS. NICHOLS NOW PLAN TO LANDSCAPE THEIR FRONT LAWN RIGHT DOWN TO THE WATER'S EDGE OF TCHULA LAKE WHICH IS ACCROSS THE ROAD FROM THE HOUSE. MOVING AROUND TO THE BACKYARD WE SEE THE MOST RECENT ADDITIONS TO THIS HOUSE, FOR THEY WERE MADE ON THE BACK PART OF THE HOUSE. IN 1949

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HOUSE

SLIDE FARM-5
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MR. AND MRS. NICHOLS CONVERTED THEIR GARAGE INTO
ADDED A DOUBLE GARAGE AND
A DEN AND TROPHY ROOM, BUILT THIS CORNER ROOM

ON TO THE BACK OF THE HOUSE. IT'S THE BOYS ROOM,

OCCUPIED BY 15 YEAR OLD NICKIE AND 8 YEAR OLD
THOMAS BELL. THEN IN 1952 MR. AND MRS. NICHOLS
CARRIED OUT A FURTHER EXPANSION WHEN THEY ADDED
A DINING ROOM AND SUN ROOM. IT'S A SPLIT LEVEL
HOME WITH THESE TWO ROOMS TWO STEPS DOWN FROM
THE ORIGINAL ROOMS OF THIS BEAUTIFUL HOUSE.

THAT IS A BRIEF BIT ABOUT THE LOVELY HOME OF
MR. AND MRS. HUGH L. NICHOLS AND THEIR TWO SONS,
MAYBE A LITTLE LATER MRS. NICHOLS WILL TELL US
MORE ABOUT HER LOVELY HOME. BUT RIGHT NOW, LET
US SWITCH OUR ATTENTION TO THE FARM PROGRAM....

SLIDE FARM-6
MEN IN FIELD

PARTICULARLY TO COTTON PRODUCTION FOR THAT IS
WHAT HUGH NICHOLS DOES BEST. YOU SEE, HE WAS THE
THE STATE CHAMPION COTTON PRODUCER THIS YEAR
WHEN HE PRODUCED AN AVERAGE OF 1010 POUNDS OF
LINT COTTON PER ACRE ON 332 ACRES. I'M GOING TO
GET HUGH TO TELL US ABOUT HIS COTTON PROGRAM.

BUT FIRST I WANT YOU TO MEET SOME OF THE KEY
PEOPLE IN THIS SUCCESS STORY. ON THE LEFT IS
HUGH NICHOLS, JUNIOR...THE MAN ABOUT WHOM WE
HAVE BEEN SPEAKING. NEXT TO HUGH IS MR. J.A.

HOLLY. FARM MANAGED AND INCHETED DIANBASTON

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CAMERA ON LANGFITT AND
HUGH NICHOLS.

SLIDE FARM-7
TRACTOR

SLIDE FARM-8
TRACTOR & MAN

SLIDE FARM -9
MAN IN COTTON

THE MAN WHOSE JOB IT HAS BEEN TO SEE THAT THE PROGRAM IS CARRIED OUT. NEXT IS MR. HUGH L. NICHOLS, SENIOR, HUGH'S FATHER...THE MAN WHO OWNS THE LAND AND WHO HAS BEEN AN INSPIRATION AND A GUIDING HAND TO HUGH JUNIOR AND BROTHER LOUIS BELL AND ON THE RIGHT IS COUNTY AGENT, W.R. SULLIVAN...THE MAN WHO HAS BEEN READY AND WILLING TO LEND A HELPING HAND TO HUGH IN CARRYING OUT HIS PROGRAM. NOW THAT YOU'VE MET THE MEN BEHIND THE STORY, LET'S GET INTO THIS COTTON PRODUCTION PROGRAM. HUGH, COME ON IN HERE AND JOIN ME IF YOU WILL, BECAUSE I WANT TO BRING OUT THE STORY BY ASKING YOU ABOUT VARIOUS PHASES OF THE PROGRAM. THIS IS HUGH'S SUCCESS STORY AND HE CAN TELL IT MUCH BETTER THAN I.

1. HUGH, I NOTICE HERE THAT THE TRACTOR DRIVER IS PLOWING SOME LAND AND APPARENTLY SKIPPING SOME. JUST WHAT IS HE DOING?

ANSWER.....BY HUGH NICHOLS

2. WHERE DID YOU FIRST GET THE IDEA OF SKIP ROW PLANTING?

ANSWER.....ARIZONA & EXPLAIN

3. WELL, NOW HUGH, LET'S GO BACK TO LAST SEASON'S CROP AND GET A LITTLE MORE INFORMATION

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	ON HOW YOU PRODUCED TO GET THE STATE CHAMPION PRODUCTION AWARD. DID YOU PLANT ALL THE 332 ACRES SKIP ROW?
	ANSWER....HUGH NICHOLS.
	4. WHAT WAS YOUR SKIP PATTERN?
	5. DID YOU HAVE ANY VARIATION FROM THAT PATTERN?
SLIDE <u>FARM-10</u> COTTON FIELD	6. WHAT WAS YOUR FERTILIZATION PROGRAM?
	7. WHAT WAS YOUR INSECT CONTROL PROGRAM?
SLIDE <u>FARM-11</u> MAN IN FIELD	8. DID YOU HANDLE THE INSECT CONTROL PROGRAM ANY DIFFERENT ON THE SKIP ROW PLANTED COTTON THAN ON THE REGULARLY PLANTED CROP?
SLIDE <u>FARM-12</u> MULES	9. HOW DO YOU HANDLE YOUR COTTON CROP?
	ANSWER....SHARES...MACHINERY & MULES...26 TENNA
SLIDE <u>FARM-13</u> COTTON PICKING	10. HOW DO YOU ACCOUNT FOR THE FACT THAT YOU GATHERED YOUR COTTON AND SO MANY OTHERS DIDN'T?
	11. I UNDERSTAND THIS IS SOME OF YOUR SOLID PLANTED COTTON WHAT DID IT AVERAGE YIELDING?
SLIDE <u>FARM-14</u> MAN IN FIELD	12. NOW THIS COTTON YOUR FATHER IS STANDING IN IS SOME OF THE SKIP ROW COTTON...WHAT DID IT AVERAGE?
	13. WHY DO YOU FIGURE THE SKIP ROW METHOD GAVE YOU THE GREATER YEILD?
SLIDE <u>FARM-15</u> COTTON FIELD	14. HOW DOES THE COST OF PRODUCTION COMPARE ON THE REGULAR PLANTING AND SKIP ROW PLANTING.

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	WELL FOLKS, THAT'LL GIVE YOU A LITTLE IDEA OF HOW HUGH NICHOLS, JUNIOR OF TCHULA, MISSISSIPPI, PRODUCED 1010 POUNDS OF LINT COTTON PER ACRE ON 332 ACRES OF LAND LAST YEAR TO BE STATE CHAMPION COTTON PRODUCER IN THE STATE CONTEST.
SLIDE <u>FARM-16</u> CATTLE	WHILE HUGH RAISES VERY FEW CATTLE AT LYNCHFIELD PLANTATION, THEY DID BRING A FEW IN THIS WINTER TO FEED ON THROUGH THE WINTER MONTHS. THOUGH HUGH'S BROTHER RAISES THE BULK OF THE CATTLE IN THE HILLS HUGH PRODUCES ABOUT ALL THE GRAIN FOR THEM. AT LYNCHFIELD THIS PAST YEAR THEY HAD 200 ACRES OF CORN THAT AVERAGED BETTER THAN 50 BUSHEL TO THE ACRE HUGH NICHOLS ALSO RAISE ABOUT 50 TO 60 HEAD OF SHOATS FROM A HALF DOZEN BROOD SOWS. THE CORN IS FED TO THEM, THE CATTLE AND SOME IS SOLD. HUGH ALSO PUTS OUT 100 ACRES OF OATS WHICH IS COMBINED FOR FEED FOR THE MULES, HOGS AND CALVES AND SOME FOR SALE. ON ALL CROPS HE PLANTS ENOUGH BREEDER SEED EACH YEAR TO KEEP ONE YEAR AWAY FROM THE BREEDER ON HIS SEED PROGRAM. EACH YEAR HUGH NICHOLS PUTS UP ABOUT 6,000 BALES OF HAY FOR THE WHOLE NICHOLS FARM PROGRAM BOTH AT LYNCHFIELD AND IN THE HILL SECTION. FIFTEEN YEAR OLD NICKEE LOVES TO RIDE. I UNDERSTAND THIS PICTURE HAS A SPECIAL
SLIDE <u>FARM-17</u> HOGS	
SLIDE <u>FARM-18</u> BOY ON HORSE	

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	SIGNIFICANCE TO IT HUGH, WILL YOU TELL US ABOUT IT.
	ANSWER.....HUNTING OUTFIT
SLIDE <u>FARM-19</u> <u>TWO BOYS</u>	BOTH BOYS ARE BASEBALL ENTHUSIASTS. FIFTEEN YEAR OLD HUGH LAWSON NICHOLS THE THIRD PLAYED BABE RUTH LEAGUE LAST YEAR AND WAS ON THE ALL STAR TEAM THAT CAME TO JACKSON FOR THE STATE TOURNAMENT. EIGHT YEAR OLD THOMAS BELL WAS IN LITTLE LEAGUE AND IS LOOKING FORWARD TO MORE OF IT THIS SUMMER. NICKIE IS IN THE TENTH GRADE LAST WEEK HE SERVED AS A PAGE IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE. LAST YEAR ON HIS FFA COTTON PROJECT HE MADE FOUR BALES ON TWO ACRES AND RECEIVED THE CHAPTER FARMER DEGREE. THOMAS BELL WHO IS A THIRD GRADER WANTS TO RAISE A CALF THIS YEAR MRS. NICHOLS HAS A LOVELY KITCHEN AND THOUGH SHE LOVES TO COOK AND IS A GOOD ONE SHE ADMITS SHE HAS A COOK TO DO MOST OF IT FOR HER. MRS. NICHOLS, WILL YOU TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT THE LAYOUT OF YOUR HOME?
SLIDE <u>FARM-20</u> <u>KITCHEN</u>	ANSWER.....
SLIDE <u>FARM-21</u> <u>PLATES ON WALL</u>	1. TELL US ABOUT THE PLATES ON THE WALL.
	ANSWER
	MRS. NICHOLS IS ALSO SECRETARY OF THE TCHULA GARDEN CLUB. SHE SAYS SHE SPENDS MOST OF THE

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SLIDE <u>FARM-22</u> TWO MEN	SUMMER HAULING BOYS TO LITTLE LEAGUE AND BABE RUTH LEAGUE BALL GAMES. AS I SAID BEFORE MR. SULLIVAN, THE HOLMES COUNTY AGENT, WORKS VERY CLOSE WITH HUGH ON THE FARM PROGRAM. I THINK IT IS A TRIBUTE TO MR. SULLIVAN THAT FOUR OF THE LAST FIVE YEARS THE STATE CHAMPION COTTON PRODUCER HAS COME FROM HOLMES COUNTY. NO IN THESE NEXT TWO PICTURES I WANT HUGH TO TELL US ABOUT HIS AND HIS FATHER'S AND BROTHER'S LOVE FOR HUNTING. WHAT ABOUT IT HUGH? ANSWER.....
SLIDE <u>FARM-23</u> TWO MEN	IN THIS DEN YOU CAN SEE SOME OF THE TROPHIES OF THE HUNT....EXPLAIN SOME OF THEM FOR US HUGH. ANSWER.....
SLIDE <u>FARM-24</u> DEN	WELL, I COULD GO ON AT GREAT LENGTH TELLING OF THIS WONDERFUL FAMILY'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS, BUT NOW I WANT YOU TO MEET THEM. FIRST I WANT TO TELL YOU THEY BELONG TO THE TCHULA BAPTIST CHURCH WHERE HUGH IS A DEACON AND MRS. NICHOLS IS ACTIVE IN THE W.M.U. BOTH OF THEM ARE SUBSTITUTE SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS. HUGH BELONGS TO THE LEXINGTON ROTARY CLUB, IS PAST PRESIDENT OF THE LEXINGTON COUNTRY CLUB...IS A RESERVE OFFICER... MEMBER OF THE V.F.W., AMERICAN LEGION AND SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION. THEY BELONG TO THE
CAMERA ON FAMILY	

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HOLMES COUNTY FARM BUREAU AND HUGH IS A PAST
OFFICER OF THE MISSISSIPPI FLYING FARMERS.
YOU'VE ALREADY HEARD FROM THEM BUT HERE THEY
ARE AGAIN IN PERSON.